

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

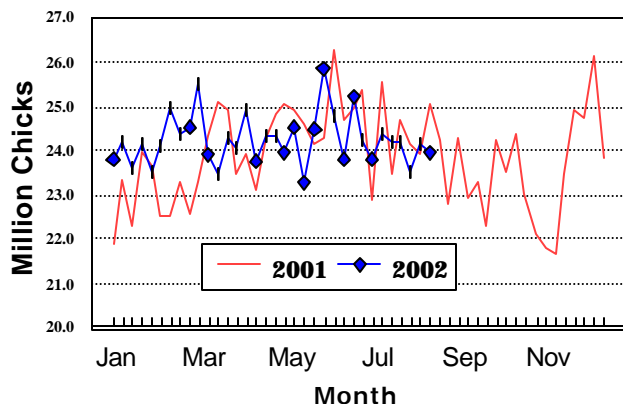
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 24.0 million during the week ending August 24, 2002. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2001, and down 1 percent from the previous week, and included 2.4 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through August 24, 2002 were 824.6 million, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 24.8 million, up 2 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and down 1 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.7 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 81.9 percent.

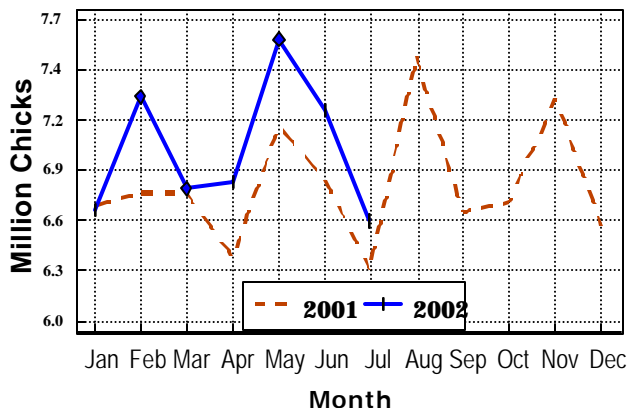
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 29.9 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 24, 2002, down 2 percent from the same period last year, and up 3 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 6.6 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during July 2002, up 4 percent from July 2001.

**ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS  
BY WEEK, 2001 - 2002**



**U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED  
FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS**



**NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS**

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	2001	2002	
	1,000		
July	25,588	24,396	95
July	23,475	24,202	103
Aug.	24,691	24,227	98
Aug.	24,142	23,510	97
Aug.	23,905	24,158	101
Aug.	25,069	23,964	96

**U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED**

Month	Year		% Change
	2001	2002	
	1,000		
Feb.	6,748	7,275	108
Mar.	6,752	6,775	100
Apr.	6,398	6,814	107
May	7,117	7,597	107
June	6,822	7,206	106
July	6,326	6,602	104

# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002**

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	03-Aug	10-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug		20-Jul	27-Jul	03-Aug	10-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug	
Alabama	29,659 *	29,724	29,606	29,028	98	21,823	21,793	22,469	22,225	22,570	22,617	106
ARKANSAS	30,322	29,434	29,108 *	29,869	98	24,396	24,202	24,227	23,510	24,158	23,964	96
Delaware	3,611	3,684	3,543	3,451	98	5,442	5,681	5,248	4,883	5,696 *	4,806	87
Florida	2,318	2,008	2,280	2,250	100	2,331	2,406	2,334	2,312	2,111	2,136	90
Georgia	32,390	31,339	31,137	31,518	99	26,274	25,558	26,372	25,785 *	25,858 *	25,635	101
Kentucky	6,649 *	6,776	6,663 *	6,834	103	5,237	5,340	5,460	5,510	5,347 *	5,323	101
Maryland	10,003	9,889	9,927	9,862	101	4,961	5,516	5,326	6,251	5,749 *	6,291	113
Mississippi	19,118	18,591	18,865	18,706	99	15,252	15,401	16,020	15,670	15,854	15,989	101
N. Carolina	18,636 *	18,602	18,198	17,969	98	14,188	15,056	14,934	14,366	14,629	15,099	103
Oklahoma	6,698	6,848	6,707	6,697	111	4,337	3,985	4,936	5,014	3,941	4,751	110
Pennsylvania	3,717	3,676	3,748 *	3,754	99	2,674	2,767	2,775	2,801	2,695 *	2,729	100
S. Carolina	4,839	4,917	4,979	5,070	100	4,087	3,633	3,400	4,005	4,286	3,786	98
Texas	14,761	14,234	14,551	13,528	93	11,500	11,998	11,729	11,657	11,632	11,729	106
Virginia	6,305	6,276	6,145	6,300	97	5,089	5,126	5,846	5,671	4,722 *	5,419	101
CALAMO,IN,WV	20,418 *	19,620	19,929	19,783	98	18,532	18,977	18,559 *	18,569 *	18,343 *	18,023	95
Total 2002	209,444 *	205,618	205,386 *	204,619		166,123	167,439	169,635 *	168,229 *	167,591 *	168,297	
Total 2001	206,930	204,638	207,243	207,346		164,118	164,605	167,418	168,196	165,060	167,386	
% Prev. Year	101	100	99	99		101	102	101	100	102	101	
Approximate Marketing Date 2002.....						07-Sep	14-Sep	21-Sep	28-Sep	05-Oct	12-Oct	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

## **EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN 1 PERCENT**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 205 million eggs during the week ending August 24, 2002. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT**

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 24, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through Augsut 24, 2002 were 5.78 billion.

**The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.**